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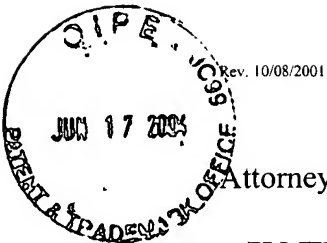
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

In accordance with M.P.E.P Section 713.04, Applicant hereby submits the following statement of the substance of the interview on June 14, 2004 with Examiner K. Nguyen.

As an initial matter, the Applicant's representatives noted that in the prior Advisory Action dated April 13, 2003, Examiner Laneau improperly refused to consider the response submitted by the Applicant on April 5, 2004. In particular, the Advisory Action erroneously referred to claim amendments submitted by the Applicant on December 11, 2003 as a basis for refusing to consider the response dated April 5, 2004. Accordingly, Examiner Nguyen agreed to withdraw the final Office Action dated February 4, 2004.

The Applicant's representatives and Examiner Nguyen discussed independent claims 38, 49 and 55, and U.S. Patent No. 5,898,599 to Massie et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,709,219 to Chen et al., and U.S. Patent No. 5,571,997 to Gray et al. In particular, the Applicant's representatives indicated that unlike the invention as recited by independent claim 38, where the actuator is disposed within the stylus, neither Massie nor Chen discloses or suggests, alone or in combination, an actuator disposed within the stylus. In addition, the Applicant's representatives indicated that unlike the invention as recited by

independent claim 49, where the actuator is configured to vibrate at a high frequency so that a modulated force is applied to the stylus, Massie, Chen and Gray fail to disclose or suggest, alone or in combination, an actuator configured to vibrate at a high frequency so that a modulated force is applied to the stylus. Finally, the Applicant's representatives indicated that unlike the invention as recited by independent claim 55, where a modulated force associated with a high-frequency vibration, Massie, Chen and Gray fail to disclose or suggest, alone or in combination, a modulated force associated with a high-frequency vibration.

Examiner Nguyen agreed to withdraw the final Office Action dated February 4, 2004, conduct a further search and mail another action. Consequently, Examiner Nguyen indicated that Applicant need not respond to the outstanding final Office Action and that the six-month response deadline of August 4, 2004 is no longer applicable.

Applicant does not believe that any extensions of time are required by this paper. If, however, any extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any other required fees are hereby authorized to be charged to out Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

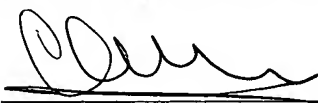
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